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Get Smart Student's Book

1. Refer to your Get Smart Student's Book **page 134** (Life Values 1).
2. Read the vocabulary given on top of the page.
3. Using the dictionary, **COPY** (salin) and find the meaning of these words in your **VOCABULARY** book (English 3):

- a. crescent =
- b. canton =
- c. stripe =
- d. flag =
- e. hibiscus =
- f. customs =
- g. traditions =



MALAYSIA

Malaysia is home to about 32 million people. There are many Malay, Chinese and Indian people as well as Ibans, Kadazans and Punjabis. They've all got different customs, traditions, and languages too. Of course, they all have something in common: they're proud to be Malaysian!

This is why every year on 31 August they celebrate Independence Day or 'Hari Merdeka' all together. On that day, everyone can enjoy colourful parades and fireworks. The streets are full of people and Malaysian flags!

The Malaysian flag has got 14 stripes and a blue canton with a yellow crescent, as well as a star with 14 points. The number 14 is a symbol of unity between the 13 states of Malaysia and the Federal Territories of Kuala Lumpur, Putrajaya and Labuan. The flag has got a nickname too: Stripes of Glory or 'Jalur Gemilang'.

The national animal of Malaysia is the Malaysian tiger. It's strong and brave, like the Malaysian people. Like the flag, the Malaysian tiger has got a nickname too: Uncle Stripes or 'Pak Belang'.

The national flower of the country is the hibiscus. Its red colour is a symbol of courage and life.

The Malaysian people respect each other and are proud of their country.